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TAGS: ELAB, VE, US

SUBJECT: BOYCOTT OF U.S. GRAPES

REF: STATE 268207

1. EMBASSY HAS CHECKED WITH CTV AND TRADE CONTACTS REGARDING GRAPE IMPORTS FROM U.S. DESPITE OPTIMISTIC POSITION EXPRESSED IN PARAGRAPH TWO OF REFTEL, IT NOW APPEARS THAT LITTLE OR NO U.S. GRAPES WILL ENTER VENEZUELA IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

2. ACCORDING TO OUR CONTACTS, UNITED FARM WORKER REPRESENTATIVES RECENTLY CONTACTED CTV OFFICIALS WHEN IT WAS LEARNED THAT A SUBSTANTIAL TONNAGE OF U.S. GRAPES WOULD BE SHIPPED TO VENEZUELA DURING THE LATTER PART OF NOVEMBER. UFW REQUESTED CTV INTERVENTION TO HALT THIS SHIPMENT. CTV OFFICIALS SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED LEADING IMPORTERS AND VERBALLY INFORMED THEM THAT NO SUBSEQUENT U.S. GRAPES WOULD ENTER VENEZUELA AND THAT IMPORTERS COULD NOT HOPE FOR VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER. IMPORTERS BELIEVE THAT ALTHOUGH IN PAST GOV HAD INTERVENED ON THEIR BEHALF, THERE WOULD BE NO SUCH ASSISTANCE EXTENDED FOR UPCOMING SHIPMENT. THEREFORE, THEY DECIDED TO CANCEL THEIR ORDERS.

3. FYI. CONTACTS, HOWEVER, HAVE STATED THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF U.S. SHIPPERS MAY BE PLANNING TO TRAVEL TO VENEZUELA TO PRESENT A CASE FAVORING RENEWAL OF IMPORTS OF U.S. GRAPES.

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EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH AN ACTION IS HARD TO JUDGE. END FYI.

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